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HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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HEART PROBLEM
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether coronary heart disease, which cause heart attack is the leading cause of death in the country, particularly among women;

(b) if so, whether 2.5 million persons die in the country of heart attack every year, and more than one third of these are women;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) to (c) : Yes, Sir. Coronary Heart Disease is one of the major factors leading to deaths both amongst men as well as women.

(d) : Cardio Vascular diseases are managed at various levels in the Urban Health Care Institutions and Rural Health Care Delivery System in the country both in the public and private sectors. Apart from several district level hospitals, which provide secondary level health care facilities, premier government hospitals and autonomous institutions like All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi and Post-Graduate Institute of Medical Education & Research (PGIMER) Chandigarh provide specialized tertiary care facilities in the field.